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INCENTIVE AUCTION TASK FORCE ANNOUNCES PUBLIC AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION RELATED TO NON-WINNING BIDS IN AUCTION 1001

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The Incentive Auction Task Force, in conjunction with the Media Bureau, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, and the Office of Economics and Analytics, announce that certain information about non-winning bids in the reverse auction portion of the broadcast television incentive auction (Auction 1000) has been made public.

On April 13, 2017, the Commission released the *Incentive Auction Closing Public Notice* announcing the close of the incentive auction (Auction 1000).¹ At that time, the Commission released the full results of the forward auction (Auction 1002).² Consistent with the Commission's decision to keep information pertaining to unsuccessful bids in the reverse auction (Auction 1001) confidential for a period of two years after the close of the auction,³ the Commission only released information regarding the Auction 1001 winning bidders and their winning bid amounts at that time.⁴ The two-year confidentiality period has now ended. Today we are making available information about non-winning bids and other related data regarding bidding in the reverse auction, together with an updated file specification document, on the Commission's Auction 1001 web page at www.fcc.gov/auction/1001.

For further information concerning the release of Auction 1000 data, please email auction 1000@fcc.gov or contact Jonathan McCormack or Craig Bomberger, Auctions Division, Office of Economics and Analytics, at (202) 418-0660.

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¹ Incentive Auction Closing and Channel Reassignment Public Notice, Public Notice, 32 FCC Rcd 2786, (WTB 2017) (Incentive Auction Closing Public Notice or Closing PN).

² *Id.* at 2790-91 para. 7.

³ Expanding the Economic and Innovation Opportunities of Spectrum Through Incentive Auctions, Report and Order, 29 FCC Red 6567, 6731-32, paras. 386-88 (2014), aff'd, Nat'l Assoc. of Broadcasters, et al v. FCC, 789 F.3d 165 (D.C. Cir. 2015) (Incentive Auction R&O); see also Closing PN at 2818-19, paras. 95-96.

⁴ Closing PN, 32 FCC Rcd at 2793-96, paras. 15-20.